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- VI. An Attempt made before the Royal Society, to fhew how Damps, or foul Air, may be drawn out of any Sort of Mines, &c by an Engine contriv'd by the Reverend J. T. Desaguliers, L. L. D. and F. R. S.
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- 11. A Description of a Roman Pavement found near Grantham in Lincolnshire, with the Oeconomy of the Roman Times in this Part of England, Communicated in a Letter to Dr. Rutty, R. S. Secr. by W. Stukeley, M. D. Col. Med. Lond. & R. S. Soc.
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- Dod, M. D. Fellow of the College of Physicians, and Physician to that Hospital.
- V. Some Observations on Aneurysms in general, and in particular, on the fore-going. By F. Nicholls, M. B. Præl. of Anatomy, Oxon. & F. R. S.
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- III. A Letter from Charles Price, Esq; of Trinity-Coll. Oxon, relating to the Villi of the Stomach of Oxen, and the Expansion of the Cuticle through the Ductus Alimentalis. Communicated by Dr. F. Nicholls, F. R. S. and Præl. Anat. Oxon.

IV. Observationes Astronomica habita in Observatorio Bononiensi Anno 1727, a Cl. Eustachio Mansredi, R. S. S. Ex Epistola J. Baptista Carbone ad Isaacum Sequeyra Samuda, M. D. Coll. Med. Lic. & R. S. S.

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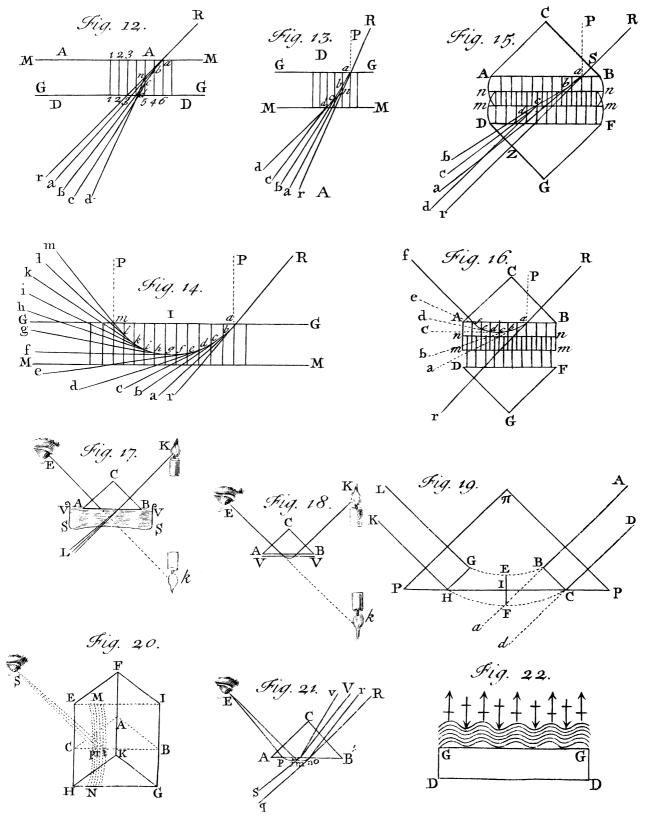
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